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ISSUE:

Approve an Ordinance Amending Section 23-1-102 of Title 23 regarding animals at large and animals under restraint.

SYNOPSIS:

The current language in the definitions for animals at large and animals under restraint need to be clarified for the purpose of including situations that arise where enforcement is currently difficult to enact which would protect the owners, animals and passing public.

BACKGROUND:

Currently, the At Large definition only addresses domesticated animals. This should be broadened. The current Animal Under Restraint definition allows animals to be loose on owner's property and does not address physical control. This also should be clarified and specific regarding the means of restraint. The problem of animals running at large is a problem of great concern for the health and safety of the passing public and the animals at large. It is important to insure the ordinance governing the problem is clear and indefensible. For this reason it's important to broaden the scope and be specific in what is required when restrained. For this purpose the following recommendations are being made to improve upon the current definitions above.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

City Staff recommends the approval of the change in ordinance.

SUBMITTED BY:

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